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1. IN COURSE OF CALL AT DEFENCE MINISTRY AUGUST 2#

DCM RAISED

SUBJECT OF PROPOSED JOINT US-KENYA NAVY MANEUVER IN OCTOBER
WITH PERMANENT SECRETARY KIEREINI AND ASKED WHETHER IDEA HAD BEEN
APPROVED AT POLICY-MAKING LEVEL OF KENYAN GOVERNMENT. KIEREINI
SAID HE HAD HEARD NOTHING ABOUT IT, BUT WOULD ASK KENYAN NAVY
COMMANDER KIMARO FOR HIS VIEWS.

2. IF, AFTER DISCUSSING PROPOSAL WITH KIMARO, THEY DECIDE THAT
MANEUVER WOULD OFFER SIGNIFICANT TRAINING BENEFITS TO KENYAN NAVY
AND THAT THERE WOULD BE LITTLE RISK OF NEWSPAPER PUBLICITY,
KIEREINI WOULD SEEK APPROVAL OF PRESIDENT KENYATTA AND ADVISE US
OFFICIALLY. DCM MADE IT CLEAR THAT PROPOSAL DOES NOT AS YET HAVE
USG APPROVAL, BUT THAT WE WOULD SEEK APPROVAL IF KENYAN
GOVERNMENT IS INTERESTED.

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3. IN VIEW OF FOREGOING, EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT NO SPECIFIC

PLANS FOR POSSIBLE JOINT MANEUVER BE MADE UNTIL WE GET AN
OFFICIAL KENYAN REACTION.
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